

**Remarks**

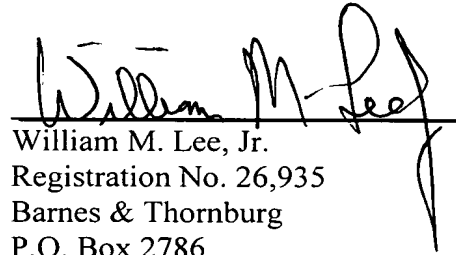
The above amendments are being made in order to eliminate multiple dependency from the application and, where multiple dependency has been eliminated, repeat certain claims as singly dependent, thus increasing the number of claims from those in the international application. The independent claims, however, remain the same but it was thought to be more logical to have an entire new claim set for those originally on file.

An IDS is also submitted herewith.

Examination of the application it's merits is awaited.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William M. Lee, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

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